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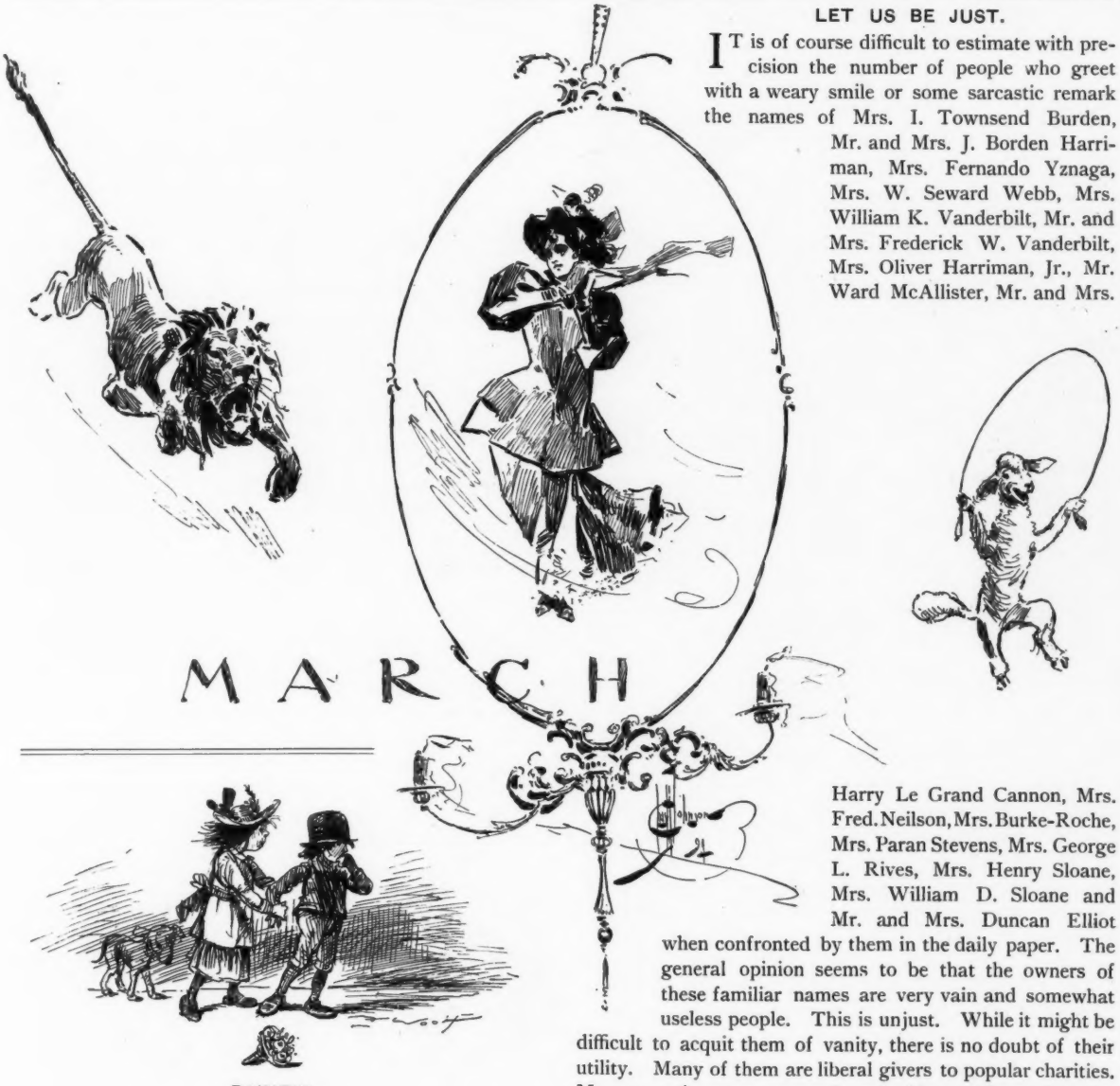

LET US BE JUST.

IT is of course difficult to estimate with precision the number of people who greet with a weary smile or some sarcastic remark the names of Mrs. I. Townsend Burden, Mr. and Mrs. J. Borden Harriman, Mrs. Fernando Yznaga, Mrs. W. Seward Webb, Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Vanderbilt, Mrs. Oliver Harriman, Jr., Mr. Ward McAllister, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Le Grand Cannon, Mrs. Fred. Neilson, Mrs. Burke-Roche, Mrs. Paran Stevens, Mrs. George L. Rives, Mrs. Henry Sloane, Mrs. William D. Sloane and Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Elliot when confronted by them in the daily paper. The general opinion seems to be that the owners of these familiar names are very vain and somewhat useless people. This is unjust. While it might be difficult to acquit them of vanity, there is no doubt of their utility. Many of them are liberal givers to popular charities. Moreover, they are extremely valuable as illustrating the inevitable ending of all fame that is founded on printer's ink.

Although none of them are of aristocratic origin, they have all attained prominence in the fashionable world, and this means the pouring of a great deal of expensive wine down other people's throats. It may be a humble ambition, intellectually, but we should not think less of them on that account. Their excess of money is more to blame for this than are they themselves.

PAINFUL.

Parthenia: LISTEN TO ME, GUZMAN, LISTEN. THE FATES IS AGIN US. WE WUZ BOTH BORN TOO YOUNG. OUR HAVING BEEN SO IS A UNFORTUNIT SUKKUMSTANCE; BUT WOT'S THE USE O' KICKIN'? THE FAC' O' THE MATTER IS WE AIN'T IN IT. I HAVE BROUGHT BACK THE DORG WOT YOU GIV' ME, 'CAUSE THIS MORNIN' HE SWALLERED THE LOCKET CONTAININ' BOTH OUR PHORTY-GRAFTS!

Guzman: PARTHENIA, YOU DO NOT KNOW THERE IS A LOVE WOT CONSUMES AND KILLS!

"While there's Life there's Hope."

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IT is a painful experience for any citizen to find himself a convicted felon. That experience has lately come to our fellow-citizen, the Honorable John Young McKane, of Gravesend, whom a jury of his peers have found guilty of criminal interference with elections. For many years Mr. McKane's idea of election laws has been that they were an impertinent attempt to interfere with the vested rights of a boss in his own district. They have influenced his conduct only to the extent of stimulating his zeal. The notion of obeying them, or of permitting them to intervene between his will and his vassals, has not entered his mind as a practicable thought. As a consequence of his obtuseness in regard to this important detail he is now confronted with the prospect of a somewhat protracted residence at Sing Sing. LIFE sympathizes considerably with him. To be abruptly awakened to the realization that election laws are made to be observed and not merely to give "enterprise" its occasion, cannot be pleasant for any boss.

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NEVERTHELESS it is a salubrious thing that such an awakening should come from time to time to bosses that seem to need it, and McKane must comfort himself with the reflection that, inconvenient and even exasperating as it may be to him to be locked up, the restriction of his liberties cannot but abound in wholesome results to his fellow-countrymen.

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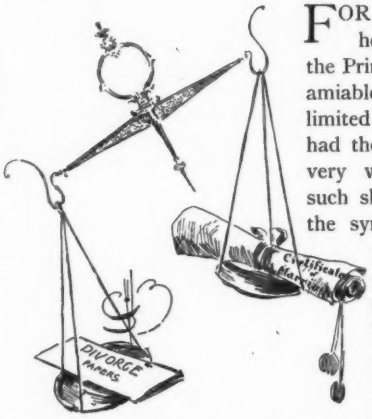
EVIDENCE of the hard times appears in the report that the Prince of Wales has been seen in a claret-colored dress coat. Obviously the Prince has been looking in his garret for things fit to make over. But claret-colored dress coats won't do, even in a hard year.



FOR all that LIFE ever heard to the contrary, the Princess Colonna is an amiable young woman of limited discernment, who had the ill-luck to marry a very worthless man. As such she has a claim upon the sympathy of all kind people, and there is no doubt that sympathy will be offered to her in larger quantities than she can possibly consume by her fellow-countrymen here in New York. LIFE itself is sorry for her, and is glad that she has come back here. It seems likely that the action of certain European courts of justice will be such as to restrict in some degree her choice of residence, and it is even possible that for years to come she may find the United States a more convenient place to live in than any other country.

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AMERICA is not a tip-top country for Princesses, and it is possible that it may not suit Madame Colonna quite as well as France or Italy. But if she is as good a woman as LIFE hopes she is, it will be a real solace to her to know that as long as she stays on American soil she figures as a striking and precious example of the folly of spending good American gold in the purchase of titled scamps in Europe. Few forms of investment, which can boast any popularity, are so nauseating as that. American women who buy princes make Europe titter and America blush. The Mackays are tolerably sturdy stock—too good to be in such a business. LIFE trusts that they are out of it now to stay, and that their experience will keep others out, and, furthermore, that they will make the Mackay investment just as costly and aggravating as possible to the whole, played-out Colonna tribe.

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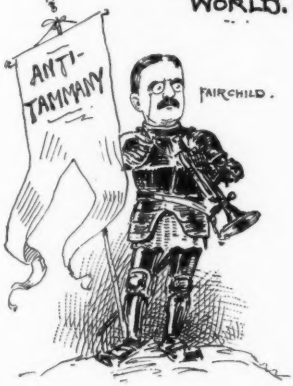
PRESIDENT ELIOT, of Harvard, proposes to reduce inter-collegiate athletics to their lowest terms. In his annual report he suggests three changes;—to eliminate freshmen from participation in inter-collegiate contests; to let no man perform in inter-collegiate contests more than one year; to make inter-collegiate contests biennial instead of annual. Dr. Eliot's idea obviously is that the inter-collegiate contest is a necessary evil, and that the less of it that exists the better. The man who seems to make the most progress in extirpating necessary evils is Dr. Parkhurst. If Dr. Eliot would consult with him, it is possible that other useful suggestions might be added to his list.

A GOOD DEED IN A NAUGHTY WORLD.

A GAY DECEIVER

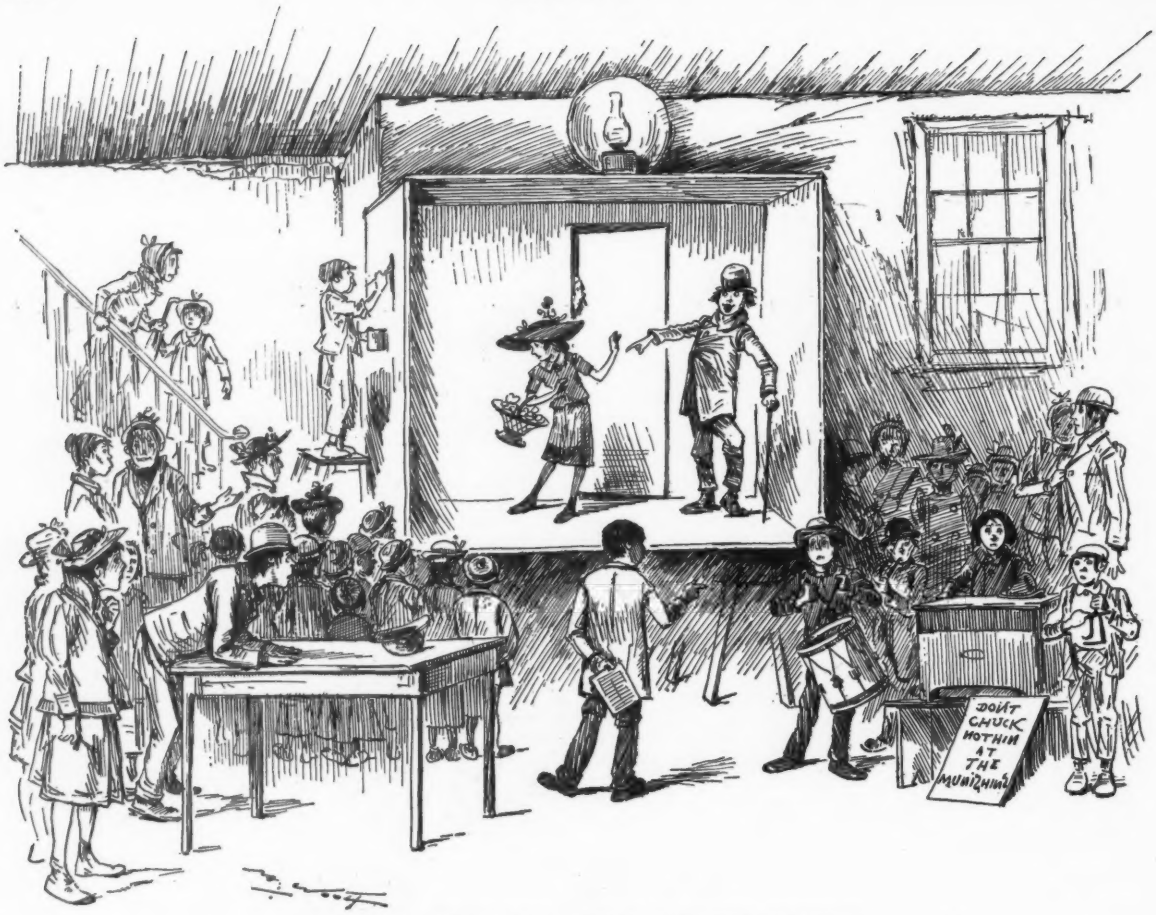
GWACIOUS GOODNESS!



A RALLYING-POINT.

ANOTHER VICTIM.

REAPPEARANCE OF KING MILAN, THE IRREPRESSIBLE.



THE FINAL REHEARSAL.—THE SUPREME MOMENT.

Author and Stage Manager (*to Orchestra*): WHEN DE LADY SAYS "LORD ASHLEIGH BAXTER I AM A ORFUN, BUT I NEVER KIN BE YOURN," AN' *he* SAYS "HA, HA, HA, YOU ARE ALONE BENEAT' MY ROOF AN' UNPURTECTED,"—I WANT YOU TO RATTLE OFF SOME MUSIC WOT'LL GIV' BIDDY, DE FAIT'FUL SERVANT, LOTS O' TIME TO RUSH ON AN' T'ROW BAXTER TO DE GROUN'.

HER REASON.

"'TIS strange that it always is easy
For a man, when he's flirting, you know,
To swear to a woman he loves her,
By all that's above and below.

But when he is truly in earnest,
Tell me the reason, I pray,
'Tis *awfully* hard to utter
The words that he fain would say?"

She replied, as her dimples deepened,
"The reason is simple, forsooth:
'Tis because it is *awfully* hard, sir,
For a man to utter the truth.'

Dixie Wolcott.

TANNED BY THE SON.

THE HONEST DENTIST.

"HARRY, dear, I found an honest dentist to-day," said Mrs. Cumso to her husband.

"You don't say! Tell me about this wonderful freak of nature!"

"Well, he examined my teeth and said they didn't need anything done to them."

"What did he charge you for that?"

"Only five dollars, when he might have worked all day, and charged me ten or fifteen. Doesn't that show he was honest, dear?"

"No; it shows he was lazy."

THE ENEMY "PRO TEM."

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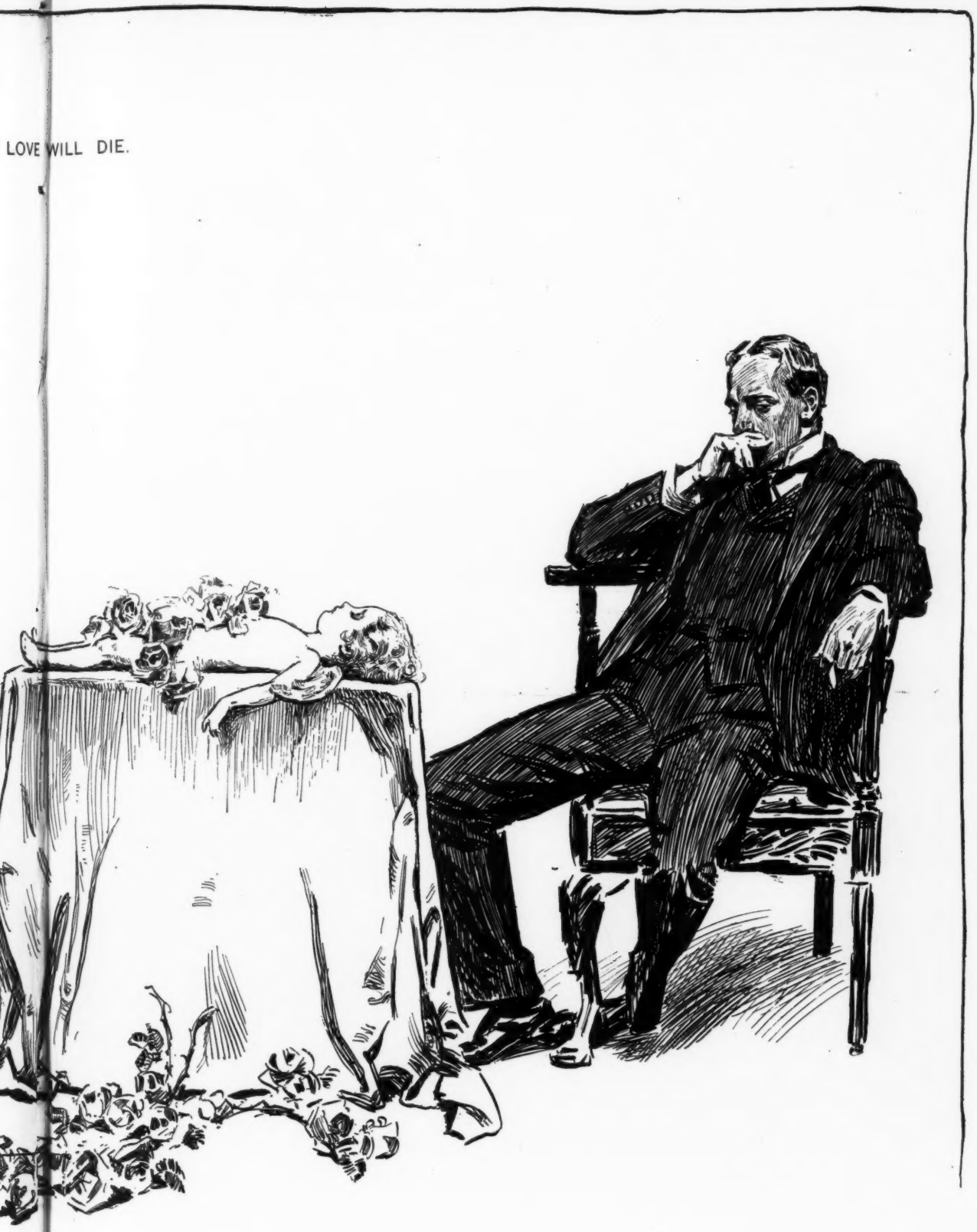
LOVE WILL DIE.



AT THE LYCEUM.

THE anatomy of "The Amazons" is certainly interesting. It is a play very much out of the usual line, and possesses marked originality. It is too extravagant to be exactly satirical, and it would seem as though Mr. Pinero had more in mind a piece which should be funny, and perhaps scandalize straight-laced audiences, than any idea of a satire on the masculine young woman. At all events it abounds in ludicrous situations, and its fun is unlimited. It is a very polite three-act farce, although there are places where it verges on the risky.

Its principal merit to a New York audience is that it seems thoroughly to wake up the Lyceum company. Even Mr. Kelcey gets away from his Kelceyness at odd moments, and Miss Cayvan deserts the sloppy-weather school to become quite a jovial young person. In abbreviated nether garments the *ingénues* of the Lyceum brand lose the whines which are characteristic and develop into rather wholesome young women.

The honors of the production belong to Miss Bessie Tyree, Mr. Fritz Williams and Mr. Ferd. Gottschalk. The last is a new acquisition to the Lyceum ranks, and in this piece is admirably cast as the offspring of a historical and scrofulous English family. Mr. Williams again confirms our estimate of his abilities as a comedian.

A large part of the interest of the piece hinges on the fact that the leading women are attired in trousers and short skirts. As occurring at the Lyceum, this naturally attracts more attention than it would at Tony Pastor's, and will doubtless be dwelt upon at full length in the enterprising daily prints. We can, however, assure the matinée *clientèle* of the Lyceum that the exposure is not an important one, and that they may witness the spectacle with perfect impunity.

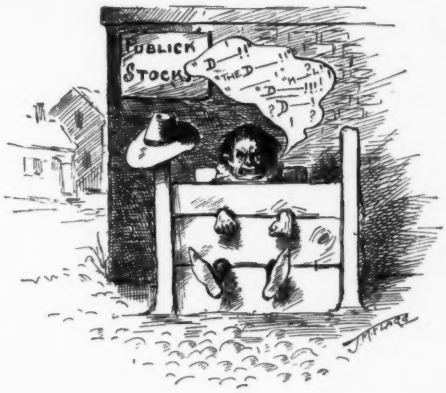
One of the best stage settings seen in New York for a long time is "The Tangle," a forest scene, where the action of the first two acts goes on. "The Amazons" is preceded by Tom Taylor's one-act piece, "A Sheep in Wolf's Clothing." It is well acted and serves as an excellent appetizer for the main performance.

Metcalfe.

A TALE OF A BARREL.

He: YES, I HAD SOME DIFFICULTY IN GETTING IT, BUT YOU KNOW I WAS HALF-BACK AT COLLEGE.

MR. DAMROSCH'S Sunday programmes are so full, it is hard to speak of one thing more than another. Of Mr. Henri Marteau's playing, it can only be repetition to express again the enthusiasm which becomes a necessity in mentioning this delightful young artist. The concert began and ended with ballet music, which is a commentary on the breadth of the times, and which, however shocking to Puritan principles, afforded evident satisfaction to this cultivated audience, as did the other orchestral selections.

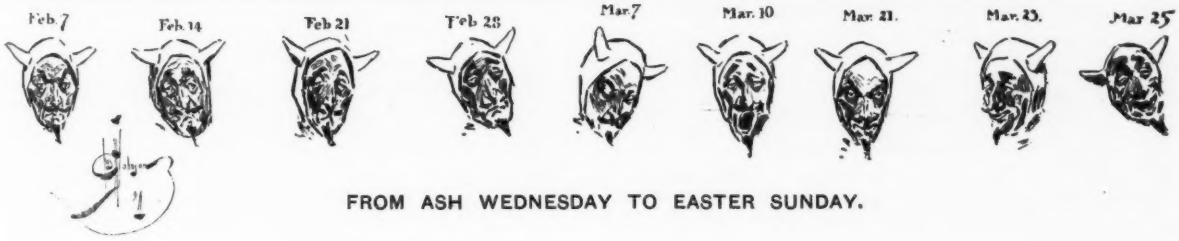


"STOCK QUOTATIONS."

THE most interesting features of the last Symphony Concert were the reappearance of Mr. Plunkett Greene, who was welcomed by an enthusiastic audience, and Saint Saens's third symphony for orchestra, organ and piano. Mr. Greene's voice has lost none of its pleasing quality, though better adapted to a smaller hall.

THINGS ONE WOULD RATHER HAVE LEFT UNSAID.

"BUY for my account ten thousand May wheat, at sixty-eight."



FROM ASH WEDNESDAY TO EASTER SUNDAY.

MY LADY IN WINTER.

As through the snow my lady goes,
The snow-flakes fly to kiss her;
They try to reach her dainty nose—
Then weep because they miss her.

To guard against their enterprise
She opens her umbrella;
Its points proclaim there danger lies
To any daring fellar.

IS IT THE BOSTONIAN'S FAULT?

It should be remembered that the Bostonian's repellant manner and his sometimes amazing incivility are not the outward manifestations of an evil spirit. They are oftener the unavoidable result of climate and environment. This ill breeding, which, by the way, is especially characteristic of the upper class Bostonian, often arises from a misconception of his own importance, a condition by no means uncommon in provincial communities. And that unfortunate self-consciousness which the male inhabitant seems so powerless to overcome is regarded by many as simply another indication of his measureless conceit. But this is unfair. If we make allowance for the atmosphere, physical and social, in which these people are reared, it is easy to understand the impossibility of any other development. When an open-hearted, unconventional instinct puts forth its sensitive feeler in the young Bostonian, that cold and ever watchful enemy, the East wind, nips it in the bud and congeals the very root and marrow of its hope. A social atmosphere, operating upon similar principles, renders him timid and suspicious and drives him back and inward upon himself. It is no less unfair to expect him to be expansive, genial and open-hearted than to demand of the oyster that he shall regale us with songs of passion.

In character he has been likened to his native granite, a comparison in which he takes a pardonable pride. While the granite may possess more warmth, more human sympathy and grace of manner, it is certainly his inferior in the solidity of its convictions. When a Bostonian knows a thing he knows it severely. Moreover, we should, in justice, continually bear in mind that the Bostonian is a direct descendant of that most unpleasant form of animal life, the New England Puritan.

J. A. M.

MAKING A BEGINNING.

She: You know papa has failed; and he says that we must begin to economize.

He: Well, we needn't be wearing out two chairs.

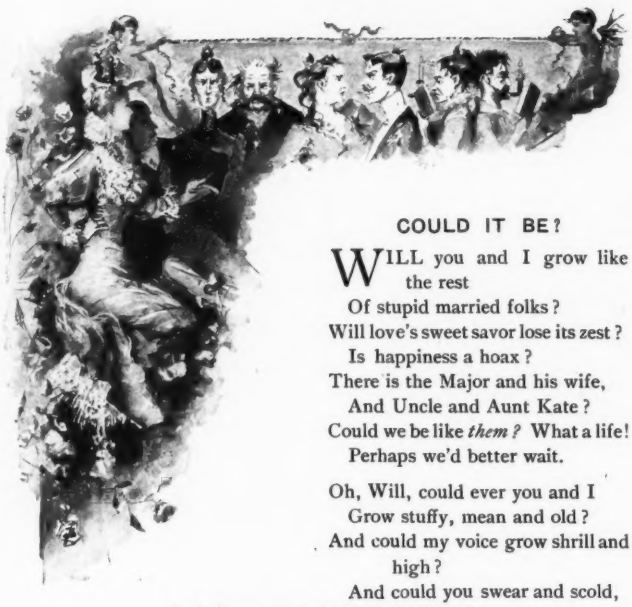
A GOOD TEST.

"I'LL LIFT HIM BY THE TAIL, AND SEE IF HE'S A THOROUGHBRED."

IN HIS FAVOR.

Judge: Do you know anything favorable about the prisoner?

Witness: He ran away wid me ould woman, yeranner!



COULD IT BE?

WILL you and I grow like the rest
Of stupid married folks?
Will love's sweet savor lose its zest?
Is happiness a hoax?
There is the Major and his wife,
And Uncle and Aunt Kate?
Could we be like *them?* What a life!
Perhaps we'd better wait.

Oh, Will, could ever you and I
Grow stuffy, mean and old?
And could my voice grow shrill and high?
And could you swear and scold,
And throw out spiteful little flings?
Oh, dear! it's not too late!
If we *could* do such horrid things,
Perhaps we'd better wait.

It breaks my heart; I tell you, Will,
Let's always be engaged,
And then we'll love each other till
Our hearts are worn and aged;
For married people don't reflect
Much credit on their state!
They show us what we may expect,
Unless—unless we wait!

Harry Romaine.

A LADY AND HER HOPES.

AND here we have——?

An American lady and her hopes of happiness.

Why, they are hired-girls, aren't they?

That is what they are.

And do they really constitute her hopes of happiness?

She cannot have much fun unless they are kind to her and do their work well.

But all American servants are arbitrary and inefficient, are they not; and all American ladies are always in the depths of woe?

Oh, not always.

Then, possibly, there are some helpful servants even in the United States?

Lots of them—though, apparently, not quite enough to go around.

But there are surplus females in other walks of life, are there not?

Yes, there are lots of surplus shop-girls, typewriters, clerks, and ornamental persons of various sorts.

And cannot housemaids be recruited from this unemployed surplus?

Housework, at present, is hardly attractive enough for that.

But couldn't it be made so?

That is a problem very fit for American ladies to consider.

And if they do, and cannot solve it, what then?

Then it certainly behooves them to cultivate fewer wants and simpler habits of life, since, without good servants, the burdens of luxury are intolerable.

And is there no other alternative?

There is one at least, the popularity of which appears in the increasing probability that the coming American will be born and die in a hotel.

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AVT SCISSORS AVT NVLLVS

WHEN the good ship Petrel was on her last voyage the mate was appointed to keep the log. One day, however, he indulged rather two freely in the forbidden cup, and was unable to attend to his duties.

The next day, quite late, after his head was once more able to hold his cap, he decided to write up the log. Turning to the page of the day before he was surprised to find this entry:

"Mate drunk all day."

"Here," he said to the captain, "I—I w—wouldn't put that in, would you? It isn't necessary."

"Why not?" replied the captain. "It's true, isn't it?"

"Yes, it's true, I suppose."

"Well, then, I guess it had better stand."

So the mate resumed the log, and began writing it on for that day.

When night came the captain, as usual, glanced over the record. It was his turn to be surprised, for, standing out in large black letters were the words: "Captain sober all day."

"Here, Mr. Mate," he called out, "come here. What do you mean by this, you fool! Why, anybody would think it quite unusual for me to be sober. What do you mean, sir?"

"Can't help that," responded the mate, "it's true, isn't it?"

"Yes, it's true, I suppose."

"Well, then, I guess it had better stand."—*Boston Budget.*

"HAVE you anything to say before we eat you?" said the King of the Cannibal Isles to a Boston missionary. "I have," was the reply. "I want to talk to you awhile on the advantages of a vegetable diet."—*Bazar.*

A KENTUCKY office-seeker in Washington who had an idea that he was a distinguish and prominent citizen when he first came, had hung around and been disappointed u he was in the last stages. Then he thought of home and how to get there, and away went after Colonel ——, passenger agent of —— —— Railroad.

"I say, Colonel," he said, persuasively, "I want to go home."

"Why don't you go?"

"Got no money. Can't you give me a pass?"

The colonel stiffened his spine.

"We give passes to nobody," he replied firmly.

The face of the despairing disappointee showed a faint smile of humility.

"Well, Colonel," he pleaded, "give me one; I'm nobody;" and the Colonel le him a special for a week.—*Detroit Free Press.*

WHEN the Prince of Wales visited this country, many years ago, they gave a gre ball in his honor in St. Louis. Governor Stewart, of Missouri, came down from Jefferso City to do credit to it, and, in the course of the evening, became very happy, very prou not to say enthusiastic. He and the prince were stationed on a little platform raised f them at one side of the hall, where the beauty and brilliancy, and blue blood of St. Lou swept by them in dazzling review. The spectacle elevated Stewart's feelings sever notches. Finally he administered a mighty slap to the royal back, and exclaime "Prince, don't you wish you was governor of Mizzourah?"

A TENANT went to see his landlord about a house he had just taken, and about whi he had some fault to find. He mentioned several drawbacks, and then said:

"And furthermore, Mr. Oppenheimer, the cellar is full of water."

Mr. Oppenheimer, the landlord, eyed him with reproach, and then exclaimed:

"Vull of vater! Vell, vat you expect? Vull of champagne?"—*Exchange.*

CALINO, as a friend of the family is introduced to the baby, six months old, whos head is adorned with a few straggling locks of light hair.

"I wish you much joy," he said to the mother of the bantling. "Splendid chil very precocious too; why, he is nearly as bald as his father!"—*Courrier de l'Europe.*

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Real Estate, including the Equitable Buildings and purchases under foreclosure of mortgages	23,928,724.53	
United States Stocks, State Stocks, City Stocks, and other investments	89,253,593.42	
Loans secured by Bonds and Stocks (Market value $9 449.241)	6,934,463.33	
Real Estate outside the State of New York, including purchases under foreclosure	14,396,857.64	
Cash in bank and in transit (since received and invested)	5,294,463.18	
Interest and Rents, due and accrued, Deferred Premiums and other Securities	6,439,378.11	
Total Assets December 31, 1893		**$169,056,396.90**

LIABILITIES.

Reserve on all existing Policies (4% Standard), and all other liabilities	$136,689,646.57	
Total Undivided Surplus (4% Standard), including Special Reserve of $2,500,000 towards establishment of a 3½% valuation	32,366,750.33	
		$169,056,396.90

INCOME.

Premiums	$35,537,369.59	
Interest, Rents, etc.	6,485,235.96	
		$42,022,605.55

DISBURSEMENTS.

Claims by Death and Matured Endowments	$10,761,402.80	
Dividends, Surrender Values, Annuities and Discounted Endowments	6,888,912.63	
Total Paid Policy-Holders	**$17,650,315.43**	
Commissions, Advertising, Postage and Exchange	4,615,745.29	
General Expenses, State, County and City Taxes	3,089,438.08	
		$25,355,498.80
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